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"Then he showed four lights when he wished them to set full sail and follow in his wake."

From "First Voyage 'Round the World by Magellan."

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WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE ANNUAL MEETING

Adelphia Hotel Philadelphia

May 7 to May 10, 1942

ARRANGEMENTS

Please note change of hotel from that announced last month.

The Adelphia Hotel is on Chestnut Street below 13th. Rooms are available at the following rates:

4 in a room—$1.50 per person daily.
3 in a room—$2.00 per person daily.
2 in a room—$2.50 per person daily.
1 in a room—$3.50 per person daily.

Please make your reservation with the hotel direct.

Registration will begin at 11.30 a. m. on Thursday, May 7.

Chairman of Program—Dr. Olive I. Reddick, Hood College, Frederick, Maryland.

Chairman of Resolutions — Mrs. Elsie Elfenbein, Jersey City, N. J.

Chairman of Local Arrangements — Mrs. Stella Moos.

WIL members desiring hospitality should write to Mrs. Moos, c/o WIL, 1924 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

Reservations for the luncheon on Friday and the dinner on Saturday should be sent to Mrs. Roberta Kramer, c/o WIL, 1924 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

Registration fee	$1.00
Luncheon (Thursday)	$1.50
Dinner (Saturday)	$2.50

WELCOME!

Philadelphia WIL extends its warmest welcome to all our membership for the Annual Meeting. We hope that we shall have a great influx of our fellow workers coming by car or train, by bus or plane—or even hitch-hiking, bicycling, or in the old family buggy. We will meet you anywhere, take you to our bosom and our homes, escort you to the Adelphia Hotel, and, through the program committee, give you a big feast of courage for your future activities.

Our city is so near Washington that we usually feel we can offer no adequate competition to the Capital as a meeting place. But now with our country at war, we believe that there is a certain appropriateness in coming back to Philadelphia where, under the name of the Woman's Peace Party, we held our war year national annual meeting in December of 1917, and where we met last in 1918 just after the Armistice. We shall hold our Friday evening session in the same building, the Friends' Meeting House, at 15th and Race Streets, that housed our convention in December, 1918.

This year we also celebrate another anniversary. Miss Emily Greene Balch, identified with the WIL since the beginning and now the honorary international president, celebrates her seventy-fifth birthday in 1942. We are making her our guest of honor at the opening luncheon on Thursday. We know that many of you will want to share in paying tribute at that time to Miss Balch, who has been through all our WIL life a great pioneer and a wise leader, who was a close personal friend of Jane Addams, and who is beloved by us all.

For these reasons, and for the inspiration we always find in each other, we beg you to make every effort to come and to stay through the entire meeting. We shall be ready and expectant, and have a hearty greeting for you whether you travel only from the nearest suburb, or cross the continent. Tell us to look for you!

Hannah Clothier Hull.
Mildred Scott Olmsted.
Emily Cooper Johnson.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING

IMPORTANT NOTICE

For economy's sake, the WIL has incorporated this year's ballot in FOUR LIGHTS. Please tear it off, mark 9 (no more) names and mail it to the Women's International League, 1734 F Street N.W., Washington, D. C., to arrive before May 4, 1942. Enclose it in an envelope with your name and address CLEARLY PRINTED in the upper left-hand corner of the envelope.

According to the Constitution, Article V, Section 1: "The National Board of Directors shall consist of the national officers, the state presidents, the chairmen of standing committees, two members of the WILPF, Inc., to be appointed annually by the National Board of Directors, eighteen elected members, and such other members (not to exceed nine) as the National Board of Directors may at its discretion add at any time."

Article IX, Section 1: "The elective members of the National Board of Directors shall be elected at the Annual Meeting for a term of two years — nine being elected each year. Any member not present at the meeting may vote by mailing a duly signed ballot, which must be received before the polls close . . ."

STATE PRESIDENTS ARE: Mrs. Raymond Binford, North Carolina; Mrs. Frederick Bruns, Wisconsin; Mrs. Henry J. Cadbury, Massachusetts; Mrs. Horace A. Eaton, New York; Mrs. Hiram Elfenbein, New Jersey; Miss Gladys Greene, California; Mrs. George T. Hendrie, Michigan; Mrs. Edwin J. Johnson, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Henry R. Nissley, Colorado; Dr. Elizabeth Nitchie, Maryland; Mrs. Allan J. Roberts, Wisconsin; Mrs. Karl P. Schmidt, Ill.; Mrs. W. Calhoun Stirling, District of Columbia; Mrs. J. H. Whitner, Virginia; Mrs. Hugh B. Wilcox, Minnesota.

The two members of the WILPF, Inc., appointed to serve 1941-42 are: Miss Emily Greene Balch and Mrs. Hannah Clothier Hull.

Those ELECTED last year and serving until 1943 are: Mrs. John H. Arnett, Dr. Gertrude C. Bussey, Miss Dorothy Detzer, Miss Eleanor Eaton, Mrs. Hiram Elfenbein, Mrs. Sylvester Jones, Mrs. Mildred Scott Olmsted, Dr. Olive Reddick, Mrs. Florence Taussig.

The Executive Committee proposes that Article VIII — Dues, Section 1, of our National Constitution, be amended to read:

> "Annual dues for members in organized and unorganized states shall be as follows: regular dues, a minimum of one dollar AND FIFTY CENTS; FIFTY CENTS of which will be used for a year's subscription to FOUR LIGHTS; special dues for students and Labor, FIFTY CENTS — this FIFTY CENTS to be used for a year's subscription to FOUR LIGHTS."

This amendment to the Constitution will be decided "by a majority vote at the Annual Meeting". According to Article XI of the WIL Constitution, amendments may be voted on at that time "provided notice of such amendments is sent out with the Call for the Meeting". Members are urged to discuss this question in branch meetings before coming to Philadelphia and be prepared to take part in further discussion before voting finally on the question. The Executive Committee feels that especially in war-time it is desirable for the entire membership to be kept closely in touch with national WIL policies and with the active leadership. In having a monthly newssheet for members the U. S. Section is only following the successful practise of a number of other national sections, some of which have issued regular bulletins since the early 1920's.

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THURSDAY, MAY 7

11.30 A. M.—Registration. — Ad

12.30 P. M.—LUNCHEON. — In

3.15 P. M.—Business Session. — Pre Pro

7.30 P. M.—Business Session. — Wo Opp

FRIDAY, MAY 8

9.30 A. M.—Business Session. — Poli The

2.00 P. M.—Business Session. — Fin Leg

4.00 P. M.—POLLS CLOSE.

7.30 P. M.—Business Session. — The Inte

SATURDAY, MAY 9

9.30 A. M.—Business Session. — Edu The

2.30 P. M.—Round Table. — Hov

7.00 P. M.—DINNER. — Spe

SUNDAY, MAY 10

10.00 A. M.—Business Session. — Our Am

2.30 P. M.—Meeting of the new Board.

NOTE: Subjects will be taken up at the session

PROGRAM

ERNING FREEDOM"

Adelphia Hotel.

In honor of Miss Balch.
Speakers: Dr. Helen Stoecker and others.

President's Report: Mrs. Dorothy Medders Robinson.
Problems and Opportunities:
Speakers: Mrs. Mildred Scott Olmsted,
Miss Dorothy Detzer.

World Interests of the WIL: Mrs. Carlton Hommel.
Opportunities and Programs in the International Field:
Speaker: to be announced.

Policy: Miss Margaret Robinson.
The WIL and Problems of Labor:
Speaker: to be announced.

Finances and Budget: Dr. Gertrude Bussey.
Legislative Program: Miss Dorothy Detzer.

The Americas: Miss Heloise Brainerd.
Inter-American Peace and Freedom:
Speaker: to be announced.

Educational Program: Mrs. Meta Riseman.
The Educational Role of the WIL:
Speaker: to be announced.

How to Carry out our Program in Our Branches.

Speakers to be announced.

Our Work for Minorities: Mrs. Alberta Morris.
American Democracy and Minority Groups:
Speaker: to be announced.

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ne session indicated but not necessarily in the same order.

BALLOT

WIL NATIONAL BOARD — 1942 - 1944
1942 - 1944

Mail ballots to 1734 F Street N.W., Washington, D. C., to arrive on or before May 4, 1942. Polls close at Adelphia Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., at 4 P. M., May 8, 1942. Your membership must be verified before ballot is accepted. Don't fail to sign on envelope which will be destroyed before ballot is examined.
Use pencil. Nine to be elected. Do not mark more than 9; you may mark fewer.

☐ **Beardsley, Helen M. (Mrs. John)**
Los Angeles, California.
Former teacher and social worker. On board of S. Calif. Br. Am. Civil Liberties Union. On Pacific Coast Exec. Com. of F.O.R. On Advisory Com. Student Christian Assn. of Occidental College. In WIL: On Boards of Los Angeles, State and Nat'l.

☐ **Bray, Emma G. (Mrs. George G.)**
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Teach. 1897-07. Principal Brentwood Schools '19-22. In WIL: Recording Sec. Pittsburgh Br. '24-32; Pres. '32-35; Exec. Sec. '35. On Pa. Bd. '33-. Chmn. Nat'l Civil Liberties Com. '41-.

☐ **Elliott, Martha Helen. (Mrs. James W.)**
Boston, Mass.
Pres. Bedford Unitarian Alliance, '12-17. Asst. Sec. Mass. Civic League, '20-21. Sec. Mass. Legis. Council, '21-22. Govt. Efficiency Chmn. Mass. L. of Women Voters, '20-25. Chmn. Peace Action Council, Community Ch. Boston, '35-37 and '40. Exec. Bd. Chris. Refugee Com. '39. Advisory Council Mass. Assn. for Abolition Death Penalty, '34. Int'l Relations Chmn. Mass. P.T.A. In WIL: Mass. Chmn. then Pres., '25-41; on Nat'l Bd., '41-.

☐ **Farquharsen, Mary**
Seattle, Washington.
Instructor University of Washington English Dept. 1928-29. On Bd. Seattle Y.W.C.A., 1930-32. On Bd. Seattle Urban League, 1934-42. Northwest Regional Advisor Student YMCA-YWCA, 1939-41. Chairman Seattle Branch American Civil Liberties Union, 1941-42. Chairman Seattle Branch Nat'l Com. on Food for the Small Democracies, 1941. On Nat'l Council F.O.R., 1940-42. Member of Washington State Senate, 1935-42.

☐ **Hommel, Dorothy O. (Mrs. Carlton)**
Syracuse, N. Y.
In WIL: N. Y. Chmn., '38. Chmn. Nat'l Bd., '40-41. Chmn. Coordinating Com. Int'l Work, '39-42. Liason Officer Int'l, '40-41. U. S. delegate Int'l Exec., '39. On Nat'l Bd., '40-.

☐ **Intemann, Eugenia S. (Mrs. Alfred C.)**
New York, N. Y.
Studied Newark (N. J.) Normal & Training School and Columbia University. In WIL: On Manhattan Bd. State Treasurer 3 years. State President, '38-40. Treasurer, Int'l Funds, Nat'l. Bd., '41.

☐ **McNeill, Bertha**
Washington, D. C.
Teacher of Journalism in high school. Former Pres. College Alumnae Club of Wash., D. C. Co-Editor Journal of Nat'l Assn. College Women. In WIL: On Exec. Bd. D. C. Branch; on Nat'l Bd. Formerly Nat'l Chmn. Interracial & Minorities Com. Chmn. Nom. & Elections Com., '41-. Delegate to 9th Int'l Congress, '37.

BALLOT—(continued)

☐ **Moos, Stella M. (Mrs. Joseph)**
Jenkintown, Pa.
Social Worker, '08-11. Trustee Oak Country Day School. In WIL: On Pa. Bd., '26-. Co-Chmn. Pa. Fin. Com., '28-. Sec. Nat'l Bd., '41-.

☐ **Nitchie, Elizabeth**
Baltimore, Md.
On faculty Goucher College, '18-. Prof. of English, '30-. In WIL: Pres. Md. Br., '39-. On Nat'l Bd., '39-.

☐ **Rhoads, Grace**
Moorestown, N. J.
Student at Inst. Higher Int'l Studies & U. of Geneva, '27-28. Part-time Sec. Foreign Service Sec., Amer. Friends Service Com., 2 years. Head resident and student advisor Pendle Hill, Pa. On A.F.S.C. Foreign Service Sec. and Com. on Spain. In WIL: Vice-Pres. N. J. Bd. Field Sec. N. J. Br., '39. Sec. Nat'l Bd., '40-41. Chmn. Nat'l Committee on C.O.'s, '41-.

☐ **Rinehart, Ruth. (Mrs. Carroll S.)**
Westminster, Md.
Former teacher. Pocono Study Tour., Europe, on Cooperatives and Adult Ed., '37. Peace Ed. Dir. S. E. Region, Church of the Brethren. Dir. Peace Work Camp, '40-41. In WIL: Chmn. Program, Carroll Co. Branch, '40-41. Branch Pres., '41-.

☐ **Robinson, Dorothy M. (Mrs. Orris G.)**
Washington, D. C.
Case Worker, N. Y. Charities Organ. Society, '23. Teacher in Inter-Denom. Training Schools. Instr. in Summer Institute of Baltimore Conf. M. E. Church, '36-38. Author Study course on Peace Educ. for Bd. of Ed., M. E. Church. Member Md. Peace Conf., '37. In WIL: Pres. Carroll Co., Md. Br., '33-36. Pres. Md. Br., '36-39. On Nat'l Exec. Com., '37-. Nat'l V.-Pres., '39-41. Nat'l Pres., '41-.

☐ **Robinson, Margaret B.**
Baltimore, Md.
Student Yen Ching Univ., Peking, China, '35. In WIL: Exec. Sec. Md. Br., '39-. On Nat'l Bd., '41-.

☐ **Stirling, Margheritta. (Mrs. W. Calhoun)**
Washington, D. C.
On Women's Bd. of Homeopathic Hospital, '37. In WIL: Pres. D. C. Br., '40-. On Nat'l Bd., '40-.

☐ **Woodruff, Alice. (Mrs. C. Eugene)**
Northville, Mich.
Instructor, Physiology, Flower Hospital, N.Y.C., 1925-27; Research Assistant Pathology, Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville, Tenn., 1928-31; Pres. Vanderbilt University Woman's Club, 1931-33; Pres. Nashville Br. WIL, 1932-34; Pres. Northville Br. WIL, 1936-38; 1940-42; Pres. Michigan Br. WIL, 1938-40; Chmn. Nom. Com. Nat'l Bd., 1940-41; Chmn. Com. on Puerto Rico, Nat'l Bd., 1941-.

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MORALE FOR PEACE!

With this number comes the call to the Annual Meeting—our first meeting since America's entrance into the war, and our chance to show that our faith and determination are equal to the demands of the hour. Have you sent in your response to the National Appeal sent out in January? Returns have been coming in fairly well but many of our members have not been heard from. One member has pledged a dollar a week for the duration. Are there any others who will do this? Every dollar given to the cause of peace is a gesture of defiance to the whole philosophy of war. Our faith will not fail for it is rooted in the reality of human brotherhood, but remember the ancient saying, "Faith without work is dead".

—GERTRUDE C. BUSSEY.

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Again we are sending FOUR LIGHTS to all names on the WIL membership list. Paid subscribers will probably receive a duplicate copy. Please pass any extras to some interested friend.

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ABOUT FOUR LIGHTS

You have already seen that a recommendation from the National Executive Committee will be presented to the Annual Meeting to send FOUR LIGHTS to every member of the WIL. This will be accomplished by raising the dues to include 50c for your subscription. Post office regulations for 2nd class mail require a sum to be definitely set aside for subscriptions.

If this recommendation is passed by the Annual Meeting, your subscription will henceforth be co-incident in time with your payment of dues. What does this do to your present subscription? You are already asking that question and so is the Editor! We give you our suggestion for you to think over before the May Convention.

Suppose you are Mrs. A, who subscribed last July. Your year on FOUR LIGHTS will expire with the May number, since we put out ten issues a year. But suppose your state branch does not collect dues until October. How shall you arrange for the intervening 5 copies?

Or perhaps you are Mrs. X, who subscribed in March, and whose state collects dues in June. Have you thrown away three quarters of your 50c?—well, not thrown away, but made a contribution of more than you intended to the magazine?

As editor, we must confess that our financing has been sound, but close to the edge. We have been helped this year by several substantial contributions. We have paid all bills as they came in, but we have no margin, now that the 1st year is closing, to carry subscribers over an unpaid interval. Furthermore, we do not know in what months your several states collect dues, or forward them to the National Office. We don't even know whether our valued Mrs. A. is in the habit of paying her dues promptly or whether she is one who just somehow doesn't get around to it until the 2nd bill comes a couple of months later. So for Mrs. A and all those whose subscriptions expire BEFORE they pay their dues, we shall have to request a new subscription of 50c. This will cover their FOUR LIGHTS until the new dues (which includes a subscription) actually reaches our bookkeeper.

Mrs. X and all those whose present subscriptions overlap their new payment of dues, will have some adjustment made according to the amount of the overlap. In either case the date of your new subscription will be NOT when the dues bills are dated and mailed to you — BUT when we receive the money. We hate to seem stern with you—but we are proud of our standing with our printer—he has not waited once for his money, and we believe you want us to maintain our record.

So, dear ladies and our friends, do we have your support for this plan? Or will you give us a better?

—EMILY COOPER JOHNSON, Editor.